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SUBJECT: MEDIA REACTION TO CODEL WOLFF NEWS CONFERENCE

1. HONG KONG SATURDAY EVENING AND SUNDAY MORNING PAPERS
PROMINENTLY CARRIED NEWS OF CODEL WOLFF PRESS CONFERENCE. MOST
PAPERS FRONTPAGED STORY AS MAJOR INTERNATIONAL NEWS AND EMPHASIZED
WOLFF'S STATEMENTS ON POSSIBLE PRC-KMT NEGOTIATIONS. PRO-PRC
WEN WEI PO ADDED IN SUB-HEADLINE QUOTE USE OF FORCE CANNOT BE
RULED OUT IF PEACEFUL MEANS FAIL; U S SALES OF MILITARY PLANES
WILL AFFECT THE NORMALIZATION OF SINO-US RELATIONS UNQUOTE. PRO-ROC
KUNG SHEUNG HEADLINED ITS PIECE QUOTE COMMUNIST CHINA BOWS TO
REALITY AND IS EAGER TO TALK TO GOVERNMENT (ROC), UNDER PRESSURE
FROM SOVIET UNION AND VIETNAM, (PRC) EAGERLY SEEKING TO NORMALIZE
RELATIONS WITH U S UNQUOTE.

2. NO SIGNIFICANT COMMENTARIES OR EDITORIALS HAVE RESULTED
FROM NEWS CONFERENCE, ALTHOUGH PRO-PRC NEW EVENING
POST AND TA KUNG PAO CARRIED SEPARATE ITEMS BLASTING CHIANG
CHING-KUO AND VOICING FEARS OF SOVIET ATTEMPTS TO USE TAIWAN
TO "COMPLETE ITS ENCIRCLEMENT" OF THE PRC. REPORTING IN SOME
23 PAPERS WAS FACTUAL AND ACCURATELY REFLECTED STATEMENTS OF
CODEL. POUCHING CLIPPINGS, TOGETHER WITH TRANSCRIPT OF
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